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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011 MEETING ROOM B, WILTON TOWN HALL

PRESENT: First Selectman Bill Brennan, Selectman Hal Clark, Selectman Ted Hoffstatter.

Selectman Richard Dubow, Selectman James Saxe

GUESTS: Sandy Dennies, Tom Thurkettle, John Savarese, Peter Lucia, Kate Throckmorton,

James Kallio and Ethan Williams (New World Systems), Jan Andras

OTHERS: Matt Coyne (Villager), Craig Donofrio (Patch), Alissa Smith (The Daily Wilton)

Mr. Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

A. Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Mr. Clark, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved as follows:

<u>Minutes</u>

- Board of Selectmen Special Meeting Minutes November 17, 2011
- Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes December 5, 2011

Tax Refunds

Motor Vehicle Tax Refunds as per Tax Collector's Memo dated 12/12/11

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. <u>Briefing – Road Recovery & Restoration Program Plans</u>

First Selectman Bill Brennan advised that we are "losing ground" in the paving of our roads. (See attached presentation.) With the current DPW road maintenance budget, only five miles of road can be repaved annually. and the heavy snow accumulation of last winter has contributed to serious deterioration of many Town roads. The Department of Public Works is gathering data on each road and will be preparing a plan for spending \$1 million per year, spread among roads in each of the four districts of the Town, over the next five years. Mr. Thurkettle passed out pictures of the roads that we are most concerned about because we are beginning to see structural deterioration - more than just a need for repaving. Mr. Dubow asked about possible grant monies available? Mr. Brennan advised that we are always looking for grants but in this case, the only thing available is our annual Town Aid Road state funding in the amount of \$130,000. We are not aware of any federal funds. Details of road restoration plans will be presented during the FY 13 Budget/Capital discussions.

Regarding the storm clean-up efforts, Mr. Thurkettle reported that approximately 60 miles of residential neighborhood roads have been covered by crews picking up brush. This has been a slow process due to serious abuses by contractors leaving brush and by the fact that we have only 15 employees who are also needed to patch roads before the asphalt plants close this week.

2. New World Systems Agreement - Capital Innovations

This is a capital program to replace our outdated software systems and to integrate town departments, that was approved during last year's budget sessions. We are now getting close to implementation and a licensing agreement.

Ms. Dennies advised that former Selectman Richard Creeth assisted them in the selection of this system, which will not only integrate departments but will handle permits, licenses, inspections and make property information available on-line to residents. It will also manage human resources and allow payroll to be done in-house, saving the cost of an outside vendor.

Peter Lucia, Integrated Systems Manager for Wilton, gave a presentation on costs and savings. It is estimated that we could save \$25,000 over a ten year period by being able to handle payroll in-house.

Mr. Jim Kallio of New World Systems advised that the company has been in business for 30 years working in public sector finance only, and providing software specifically for the government market.

Mr. Clark moved the Resolution of Governing Body for Equipment Lease Agreement (attached). Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

3. Bay State Consultants (TransCanada Electric Supply Agreement)

Ms. Dennies reported that we have an opportunity for significant savings if we extend our power purchase agreement with TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. for 60 months. Mr. Dubow moved to authorize First Selectman Bill Brennan to accept pricing and, if reasonable, to look into an Agreement extension with TransCanada Electric Supply to December 2015. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

4. Proposed driveway on Scenic Road - Nod Hill

An application for a driveway on Nod Hill Road was received from Ms. Kate Throckmorton and has been approved by all appropriate departments, boards and commissions. As per the Scenic Road Ordinance, final approval of the BOS is required. Mr. Brennan moved to approve the driveway application for 294 Nod Hill Road. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

5. Appointments / Reappointments

Mr. Dubow moved to approve reappointments as attached. Motion seconded and unanimously carried. Mr. Brennan moved to approve new appointments as attached. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

6. <u>Proposed dates for Board of Selectmen / Wilton Library Trustees Meetings</u>
The Board of Selectmen will meet with the Wilton Library Board of Trustees on 1/17/12 (BOS meeting), on 5/14/12 (at the Library) and on 8/6/12 (BOS meeting).

7. Miscellaneous Other Business

Miller Driscoll School SOR – The Council on Public Facilities will meet and will send their recommendations to the BOS members for discussion at the 1/3/12 BOS meeting. Mr. Bruce Likly, BOE Chairman, and Dr. Richards will also be invited to attend.

<u>Flood Mitigation Plan</u> – SWRPA was favorable to the proposal to request that the Army Corps of Engineers prepare a plan for the area. At the next SWRPA meeting, the request letter will be finalized and sent. Mr. Gordon Josseloff, First Selectman of Westport is the new SWRPA Chairman and Mr. Brennan is Vice Chairman of SWRPA

C. Public Comment: None noted

D. Reports

1. <u>First Selectman's Report</u>: The emergency management team will be preparing OP Ed articles for the media, with recommendations for residents to prepare for storms.

2. Selectmen Reports

Mr. Saxe: No report

Mr. Hoffstatter: The troop boxes have been very successful and are appreciated by those in receipt. The boxes and instructions are in the town hall lobby.

Mr. Clark: No report

Mr. Dubow: No report

E. Adjournment: Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Jan Andras, Recording Secretary

Att. A. Road Restoration Plans Presentation

Att. B: Resolution for Equipment Lease Agreement

Att. C: Appointments/Reappointments



Board of Selectmen Briefing

Road Recovery & Restoration Program Town of Wilton



12-19-11



Background

- Town Roads 127 miles
- Current DPW road maintenance budget approximately 5 miles of road repaved annually
- 2009-2011 cost of asphalt increased from \$70/ton to \$98/ton (State contract price) or +40%
- 2009-2011 DPW's road maintenance budget increased from \$600,000 to \$650,000 or +8.3%
- Therefore, less miles of road are being maintained.



Issue

- Winter of 2010 2011 heavy snow accumulations +66". contributed to serious deterioration of many Town roads. Spring thawing/freezing cycles, water drainage/runoff —
- How do we correct? How do we restore deteriorated roads to a reasonable level of repair to insure public safety?
- Current annual maintenance funds are insufficient. Average current rate of paving of 5 miles/year, only 75 miles of road are resurfaced. Therefore, 52 miles of roads continue to road life is approximately 15 years. Over 20 years at the seriously degrade.

- Summary of 2011 Road Maintenance Activity
- Analysis made by DPW of all Wilton Roads
- Maintenance and repaving focused on roads with the most deteriorated conditions.
- The following roads were partially repaved to "stretch" the life of the roads and the Town's paving dollars.
- Millstone Road

Powder Horn Hill Rd.

Musket Ridge Road

Rivergate Drive

Wilton Woods Road

Deer Run Road

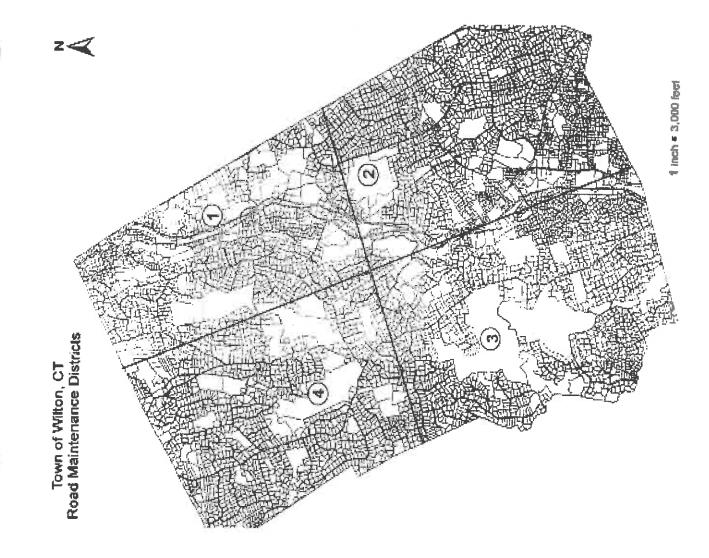
- •Old Huckleberry Road •Honey Hill Road
 - Bald Hill Road

Cannon Road

- Thunder Lake Road
 - Cost of road maintenance to date \$760,000
- However, many roads throughout the town remain in poor condition and are in need of repairs and restoration.



- Department of Public Works Fall Road Survey
- Town divided into four districts (see map)
- September to November all roads inspected
- Roads classified into three categories: Main Roads, Secondary Roads and Tertiary Roads – based on use and road length.
- Data developed for each category of roads in each district based on records of past paving maintenance.
- Paving data was consolidated into five periods of time.
- 2007-2011 Paving maintenance within last 5 years
- 2002-2006 Paving maintenance within last 5-10 years
- 2001-1997 Paving maintenance within last 10-15 years 1992-1996 Paving maintenance within last 15-20 years
- 1991 and before Paving maintenance in excess of 20 years

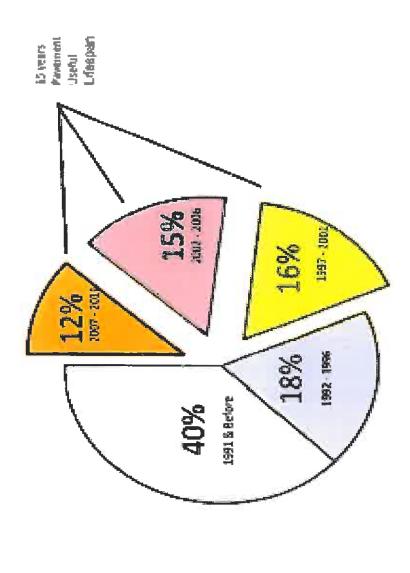


Town of Wilton Road Recovery and Restoration Program 2013 - 2018

All Town Roads

D Total Miles Pawed 2007-2011 Total Miles Pawed 2002-2006 Total Miles Pawed 1997-2001

☐ Total Miles Paved 1992-1996 ☐ Miles to be Paved



Other Towns' Road Restoration Programs

Summary

- 40% of Wilton roads have not been repaved in 20 or more years. Many are major roads.
- Current annual road maintenance funds (\$650,000) are insufficient to repair and restore the Town's roads.
- As many other towns have done, and as Wilton did in 1989-93, an additional road recovery and restoration program is required to "catch up".
- DPW will present details of road restoration plans during FY 13 Budget/Capital meetings.
- Early estimate an additional \$1mm/year for five years

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BODY EXTRACT OF MINUTES

LESSEE: Town of Wilton Connecticut
LESSOR: Bank of the West
DATE OF EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT:
At a duly called meeting of the governing body of Lessee (as defined in the Equipment Lease Agreement) held on the day of, 20 the following resolution was introduced and adopted.
WHEREAS, the governing body of Lessee has determined that a true and very real need exists for the acquisition of the Equipment described in the Equipment Lease Agreement presented to this meeting; and
WHEREAS, the governing body of Lessee has taken the necessary steps, including any legal bidding requirements, under applicable law to arrange for the acquisition of such Equipment.
BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of Lessee that the terms of said Equipment Lease Agreement are in the best interest of Lessee for the acquisition of such Equipment, and the governing body of Lessee designates and confirms that the persons indicated below are authorized to execute and deliver the Equipment Lease Agreement and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Equipment Lease Agreement.
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 265 (b) 3 (D) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, the governing body of Lessee hereby designates this Equipment Lease Agreement as comprising a portion of the \$10 million in aggregate issues designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" eligible for the exception to the general rule of the Code which provides for a total disallowance of a deduction for interest expense allocable to the carrying of tax-exempt obligations. The governing body of the Lessee further certifies that it does not reasonably contemplates issuing more than \$10,000,000 of "qualified tax-exempt obligations," as defined in the Code, during
William F. Brennan First Selectman
(Name of Party to Execute (Title) Equipment Lease Agreement)
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The undersigned further certifies that the above resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect and further certifies that the above and foregoing Equipment Lease Agreement is the same as presented at said meeting of the governing body of Lessee.
Date: Secretary/Clerk

Board of Selectmen Meeting December 19, 2011

Appointments/Reappointments

REAPPOINTMENTS

Police Commission Chris Weldon

<u>Historic Districts and Historic Properties</u> Kevin Quinlan

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Conservation Commission Donna Merill Susan DiLoreto

Commission on Social Services
Suzanne Schintzius

Tree Committee Jane Lancellotti

Building Inspector Appeals Board James Newton

ZBA ✓ Tim Meyer